

Amend CSHB 2578 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 8, between "FROM" and "BINGO", insert "LICENSE FEES AND".

(2) On page 2, line 20, strike "2001.154" and substitute "2001.154(a)".

(3) Strike page 2, line 22, through page 4, line 22, and substitute the following:

(a) The commission may not issue a commercial lessor license to or renew a commercial lessor license of:

(1) a person convicted of criminal fraud or a gambling or gambling-related offense;

(2) a public officer who receives any consideration, direct or indirect, as owner or lessor of premises offered for conducting bingo;

(3) a person who [~~extends credit to,~~] loans money to[ ~~or pays or provides for the payment of license fees for~~] an authorized organization;

(4) a distributor or manufacturer;

(5) a person in which a person covered by Subdivision (1), (2), (3), or (4) or a person married or related in the first degree by consanguinity or affinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, to one of those persons has greater than a 10 percent proprietary, equitable, or credit interest or in which one of those persons is active or employed;

(6) a foreign corporation or other foreign legal entity;

(7) an individual who is not a resident of this state;

(8) a corporation or other legal entity owned or controlled by:

(A) a foreign corporation; or

(B) an individual who is not a resident of this state; or

(9) a corporation or other legal entity:

(A) whose shares are publicly traded; or

(B) owned or controlled by a corporation whose shares are publicly traded.

(4) On page 5, line 22, strike "fees for" and substitute

"~~[fees for]~~".

(5) On page 7, line 17, strike "Subsections (a), (c), and (h)" and substitute "Subsection (c)".

(6) Strike page 7, lines 19 through 22, and strike page 8, lines 1 through 6.

(7) On page 8, lines 12 and 13, strike "the bingo administration account established under Section 2001.521" and substitute "a special account in the general revenue fund".

(8) On page 8, line 14, immediately following "year.", insert the following:

The amount the commission retains under this subsection:

(1) must, in each state fiscal year, be the amount necessary to ensure that the ratio of the amount retained under this subsection to the amount paid to the commission as license fees during that fiscal year is the same as the ratio of the amount appropriated to the commission to enforce bingo laws under Chapter 1281 (HB 1), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, to the amount paid to the commission as license fees during the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2017; and

(2) is considered miscellaneous revenue for purposes of appropriations made to the commission under the General Appropriations Act for the administration of this chapter.

(9) Strike page 8, line 15, through page 10, line 6.

(10) On page 10, lines 7 and 8, strike "2001.437(e), and 2001.507(d)" and substitute "and 2001.437(e)".

(11) On page 10, strike lines 10 through 13 and substitute the following:

amending Sections 2001.503 and 2001.507, Occupations Code, apply beginning with the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2017.

(12) On page 10, line 21, between "SECTION 17." and "Not", insert the following:

(a) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, but not later than January 1, 2018, the Texas Lottery Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement this Act.

(b)

(13) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 2001.502, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2001.502. PRIZE FEE. A licensed authorized organization shall:

(1) collect from a person who wins a bingo prize of more than \$5 a fee in the amount of five percent of the amount or value of the prize; and

(2) remit to the commission a fee in the amount of five percent of the amount or value of all bingo prizes of more than \$5 awarded.

(14) Renumber the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly.